

# Voith Hydro Hydro Power Plants

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## Voith in figures

In over	50		42,000		5
	countries		Employees		Markets

R&D ratio	4.7 %	Family-owned since	1867	Sales	€5.7 billion
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# Energy

A quarter of all electricity generated by hydro power worldwide is produced with technologies and services from Voith.



Run of River Plant

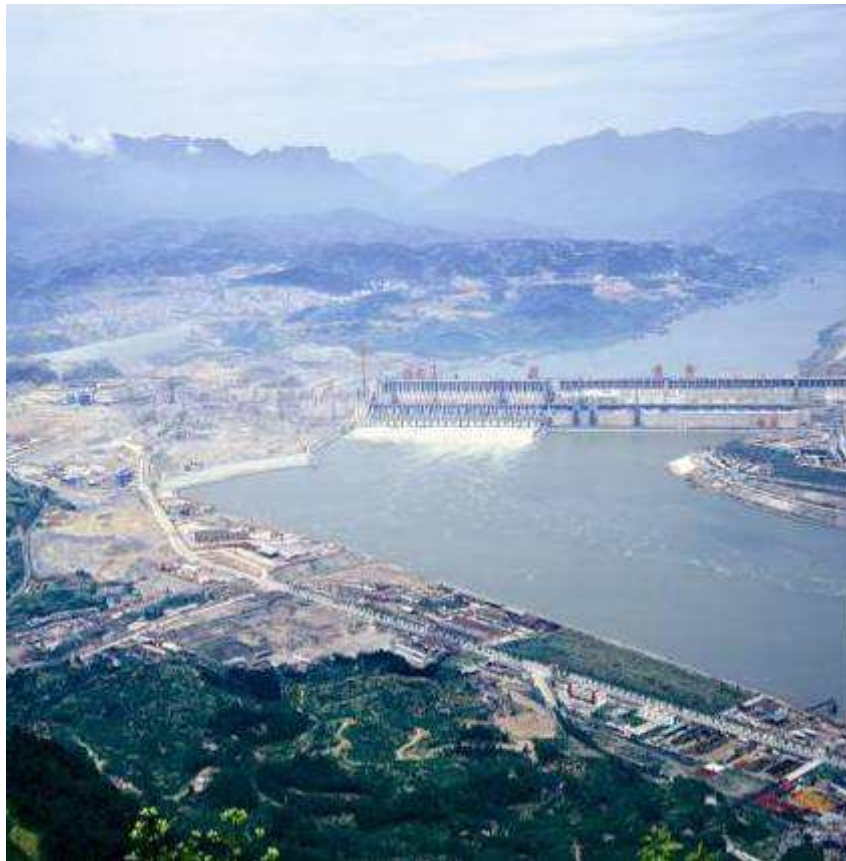


Storage Plant



Pumped Storage Plant

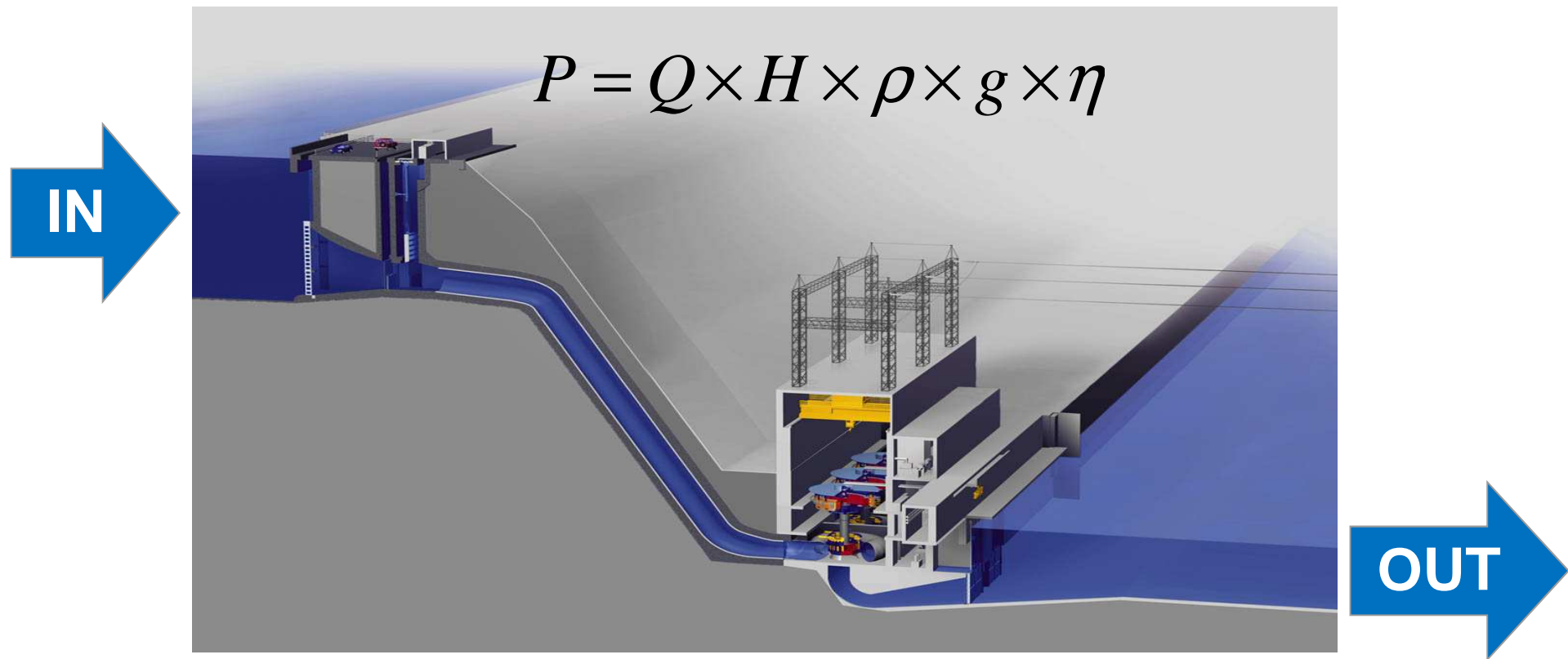
## 140 Years of Major Projects



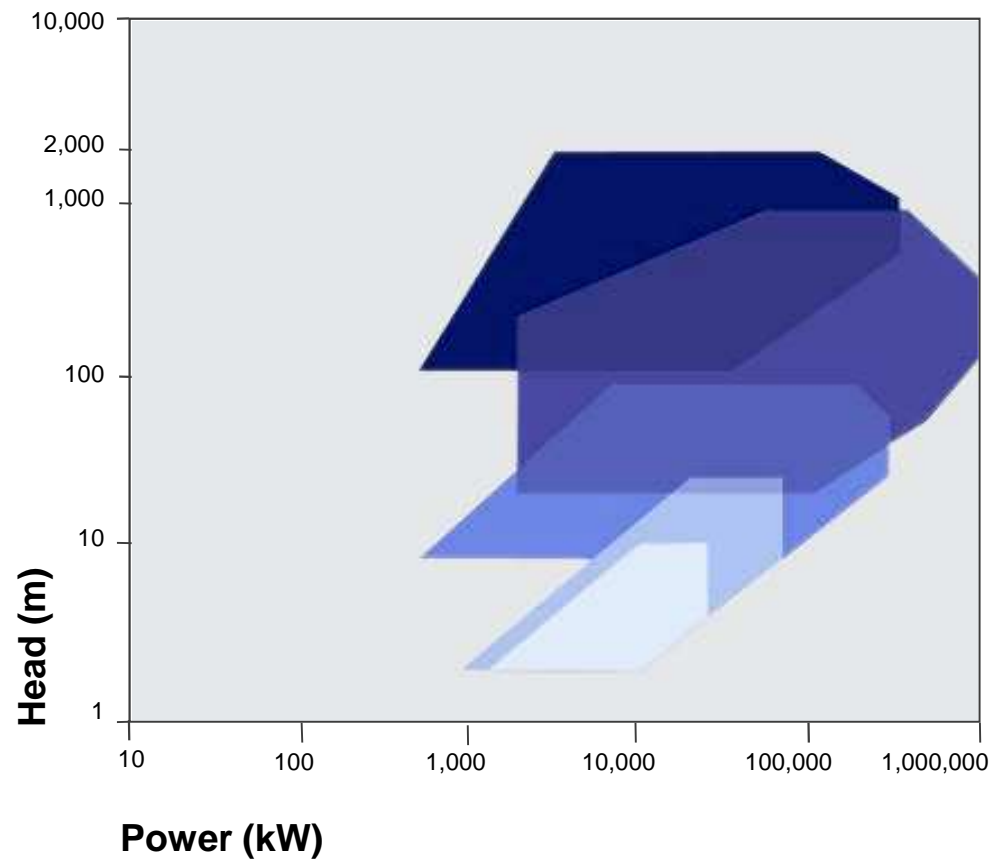
<b>1873</b>	First Voith Francis turbine
<b>1903</b>	First Pelton turbine
<b>1912</b>	Niagara Falls, Canada
<b>1934</b>	Pedreira, Brazil
<b>1938</b>	Sungari, China
<b>1964</b>	Roenkhausen, Germany
<b>1970</b>	Raccoon Mountain, USA
<b>1995</b>	First fish-friendly turbine design
<b>1997</b>	Three Gorges, China
<b>1998</b>	Goldisthal, Germany
<b>2000</b>	Guangzhou II, China
<b>2010</b>	Frades II, Portugal
<b>2011</b>	Belo Monte, Brazil



Flow  $Q$  and Head  $H$  are decisive for the power



## Head $H$ is mainly influencing the turbine type



**Pelton:**

~200m to 2.000m



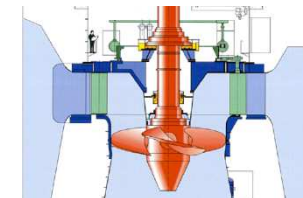
**Francis**

~50m to ~700m



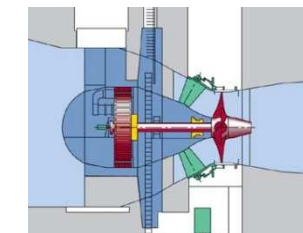
**Kaplan**

~2m to ~50m



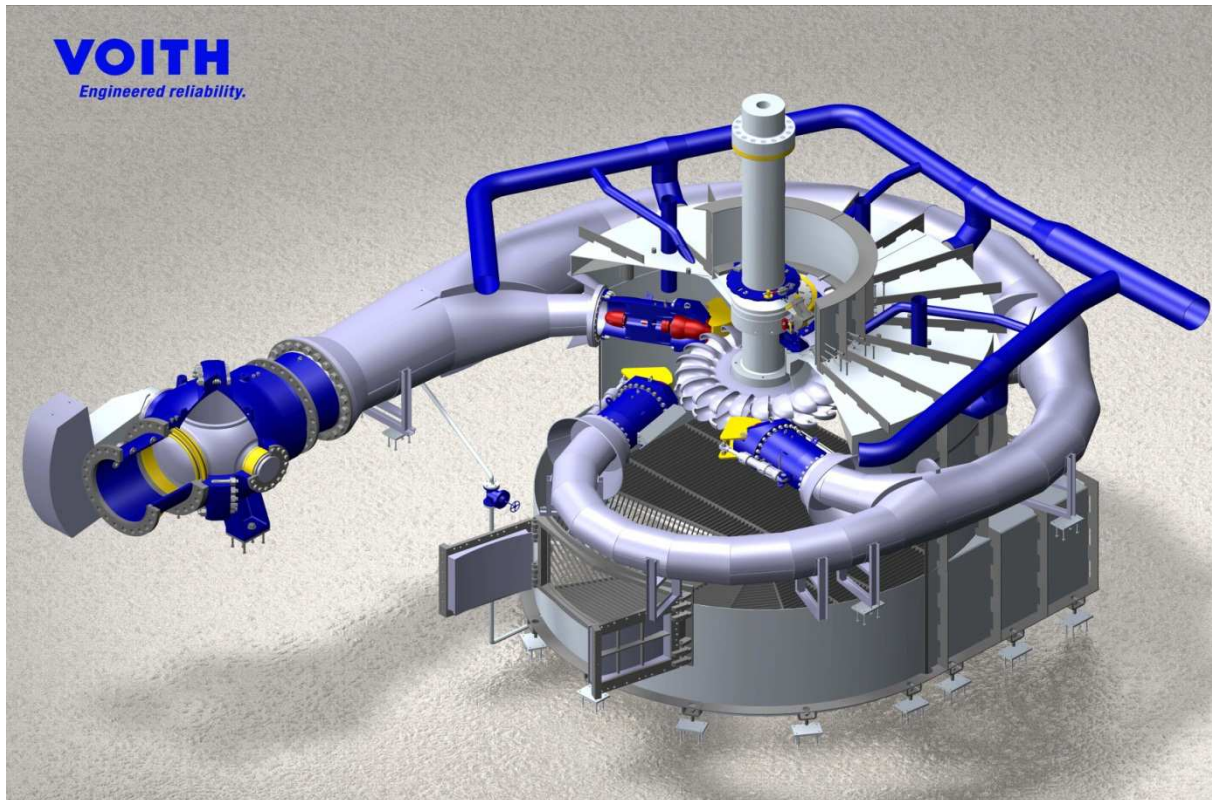
**Bulb**

~2m to ~20m



**Pit** ~2m to ~10m

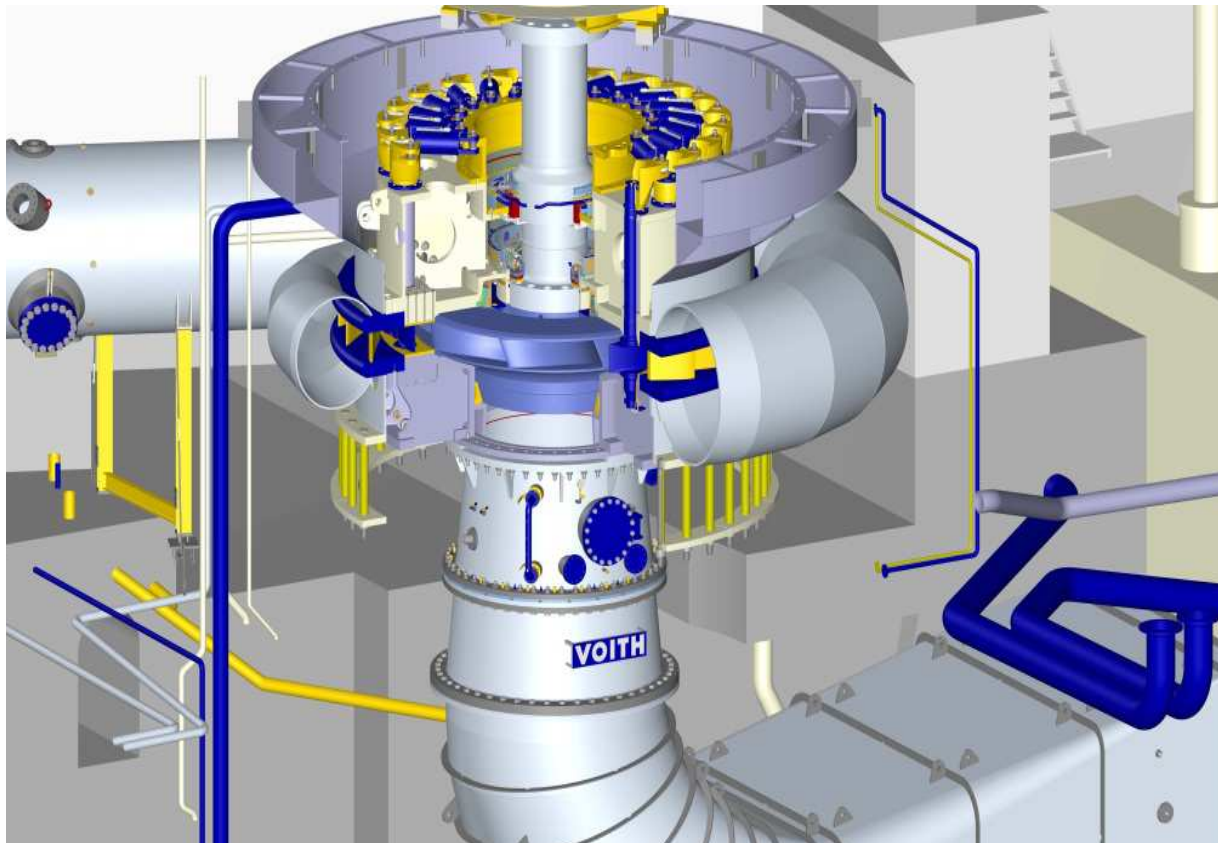
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Pelton

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Francis (pump turbine)

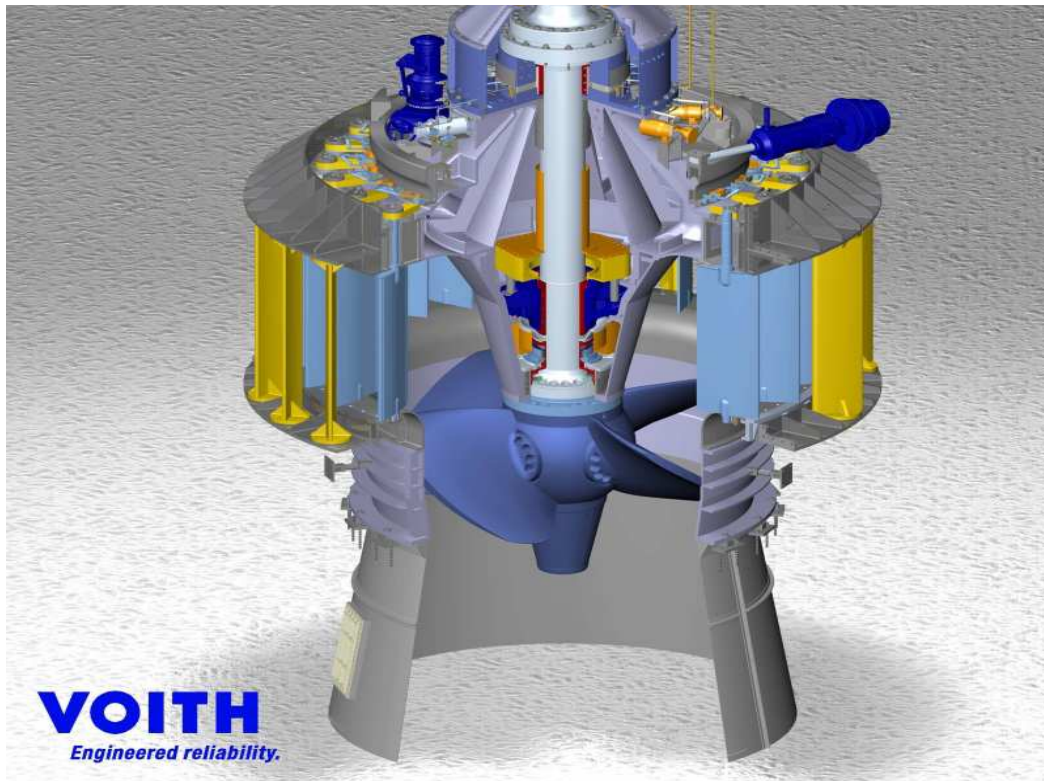
~50 m to 700 m



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Kaplan

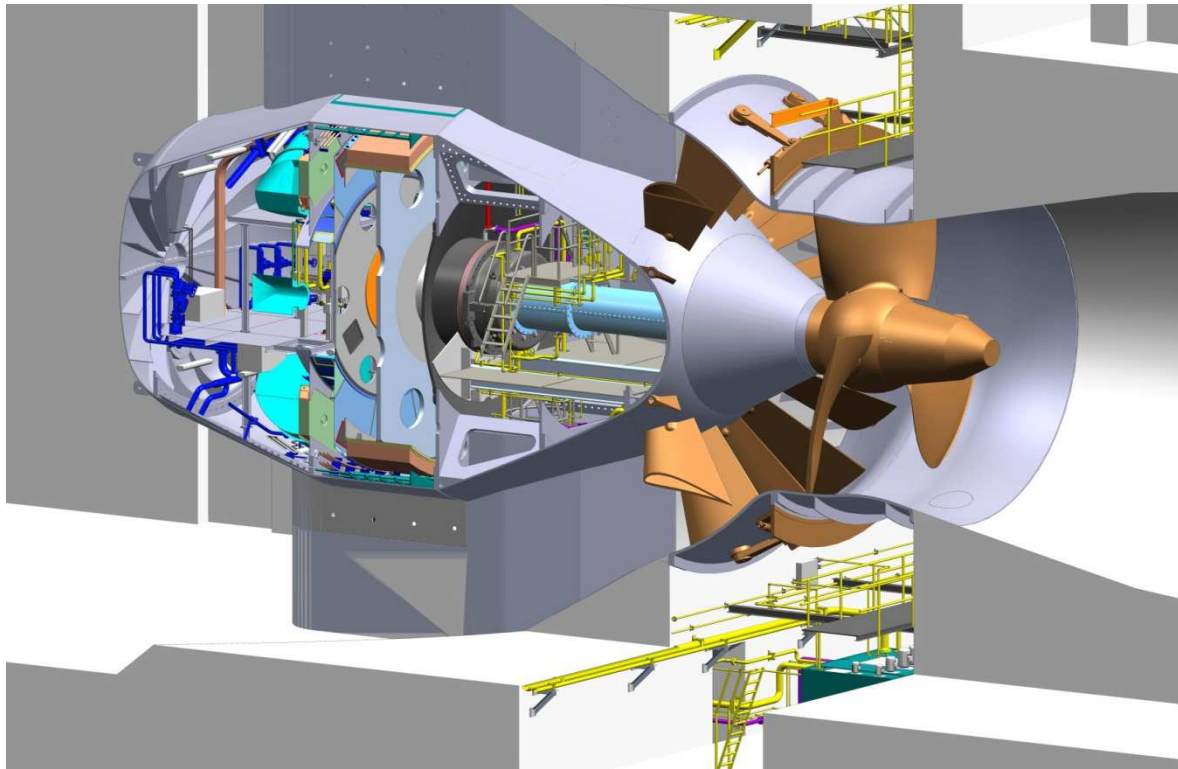
~2 m to 50 m



Head  $H$  is mainly influencing the turbine type

Bulb

~2 m to 20 m

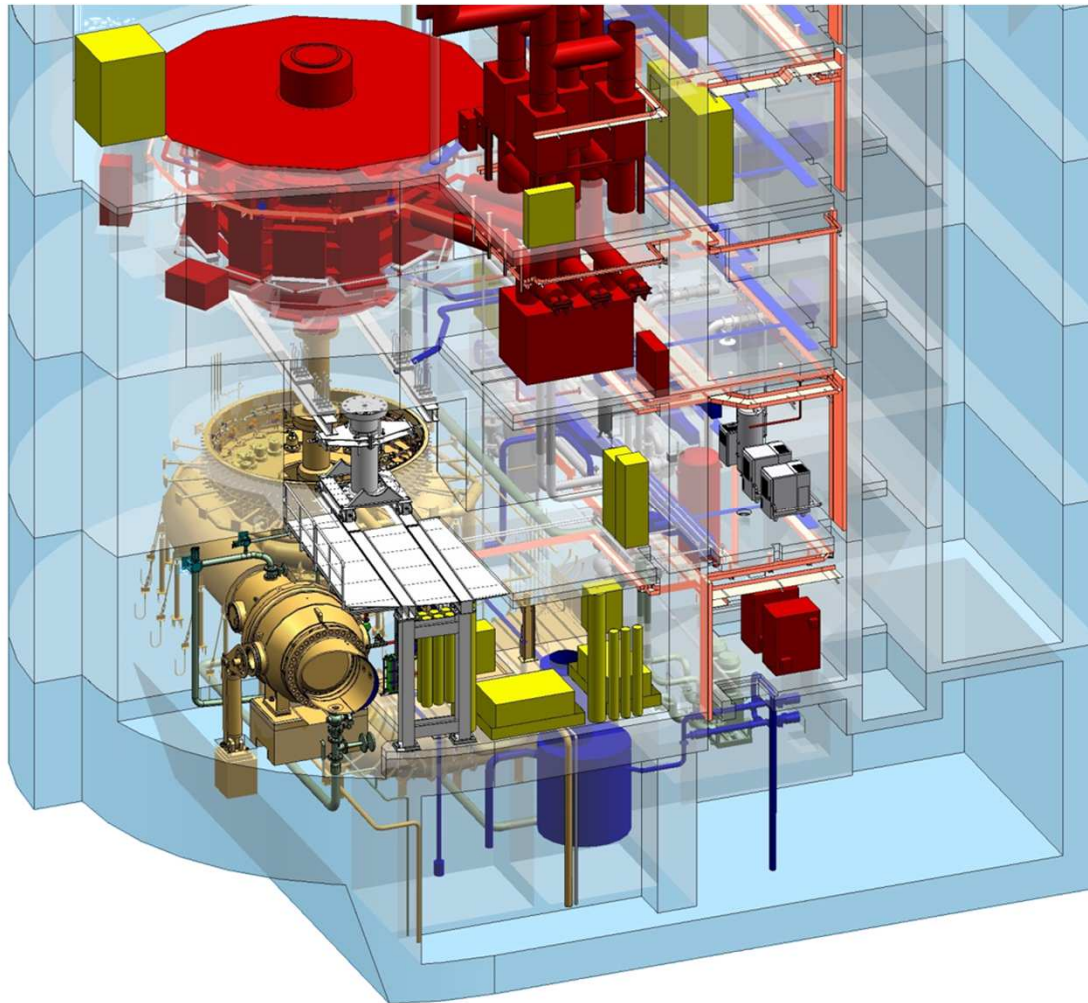


Ohio River. Cannelton, USA

Complete Plant Systems

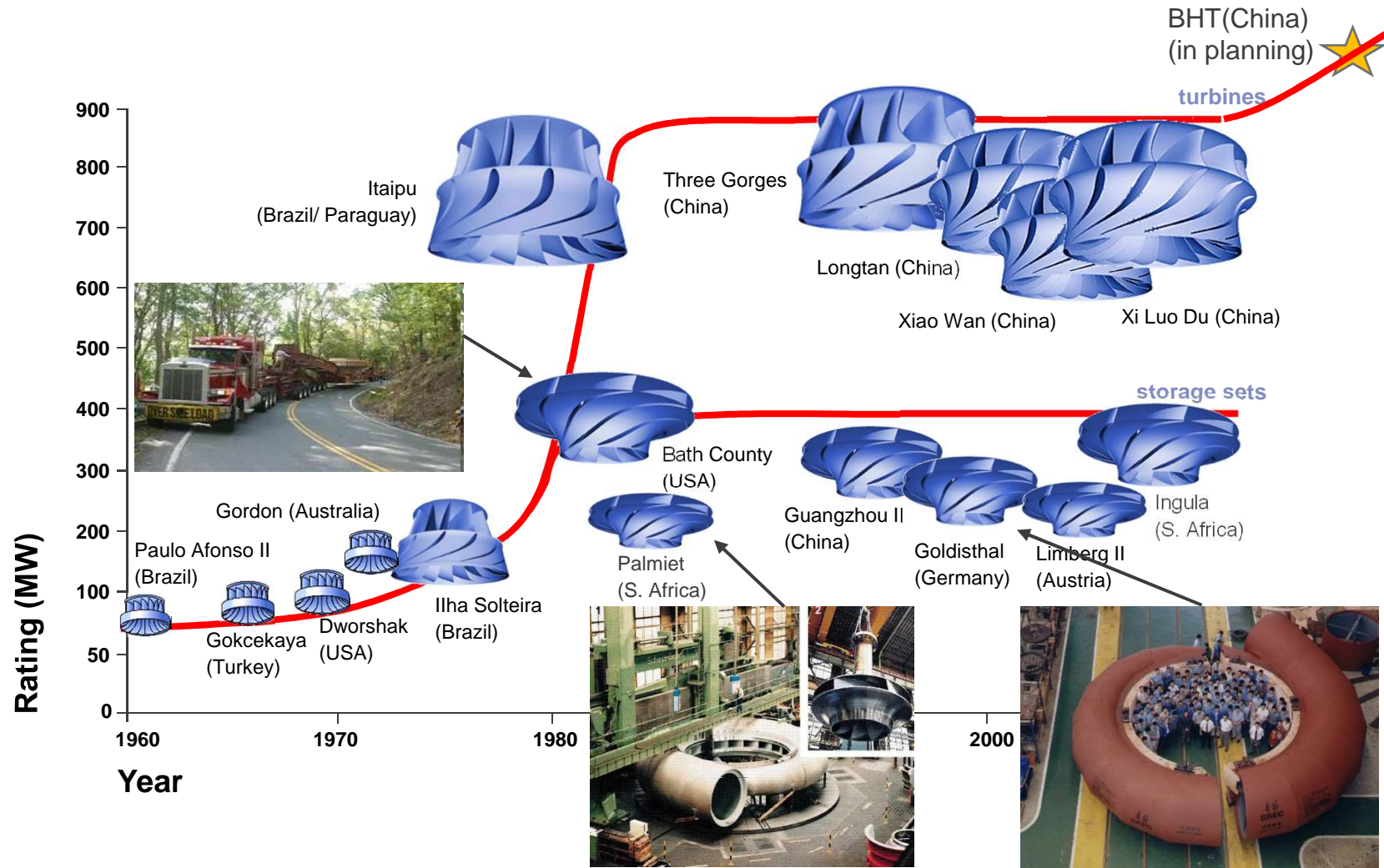
**VOITH**

Pump Storage Powerhouse using full 3D CAD Capabilities

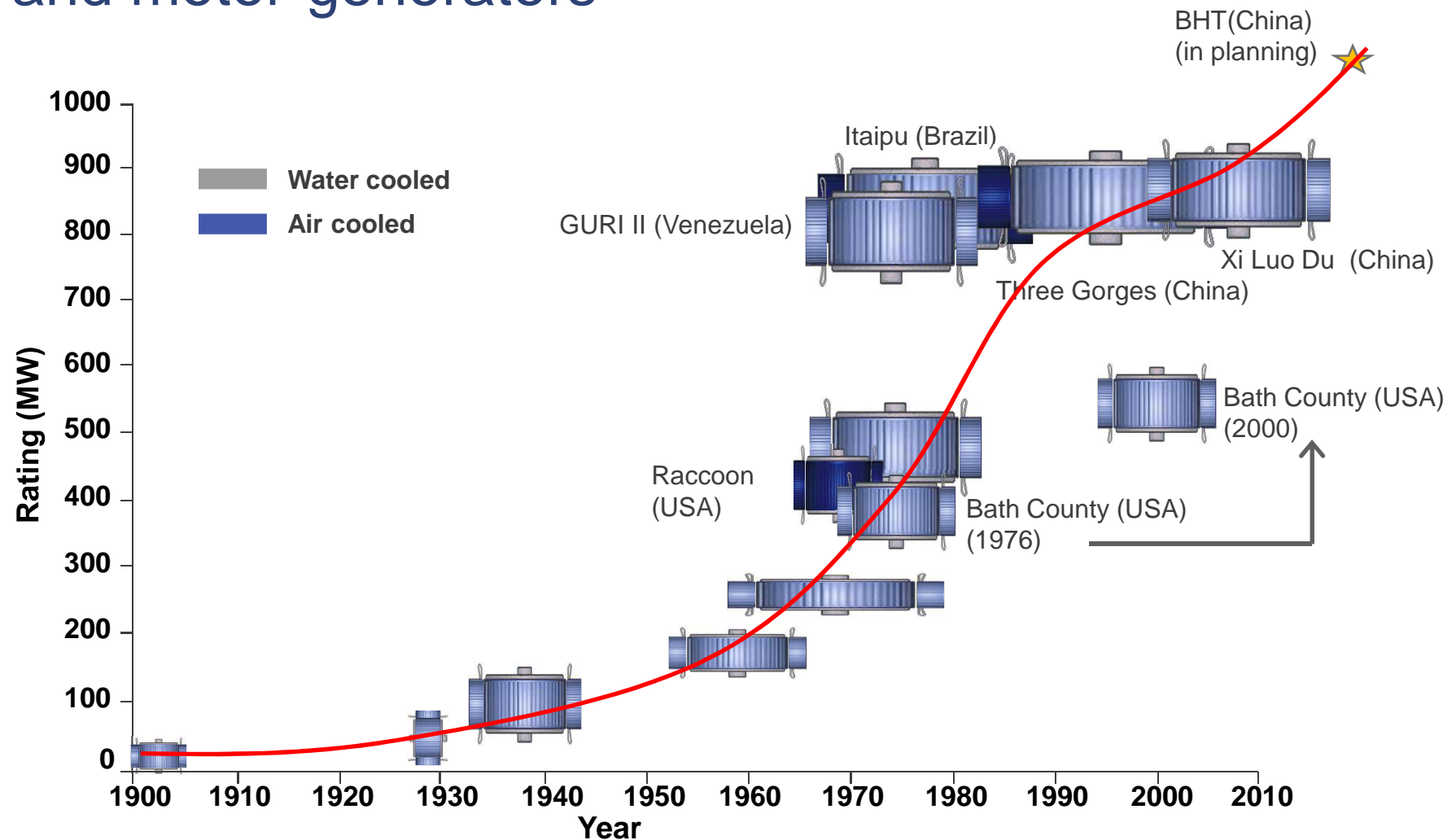




## History of hydro power turbines and pump-turbines



## History of hydro power generators and motor-generators



## Logistic Challenge: 400t Stainless Steel Runner



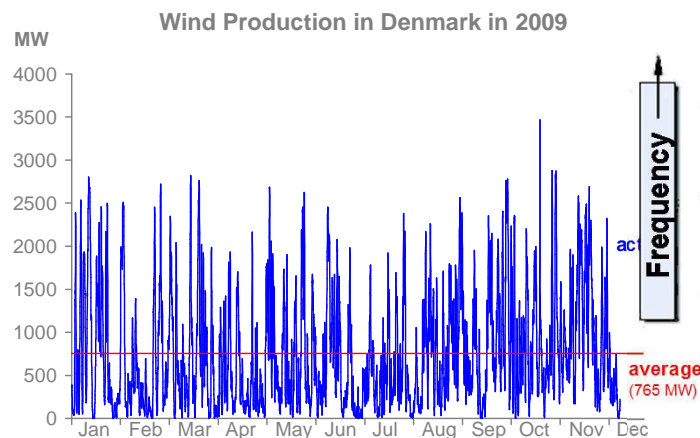
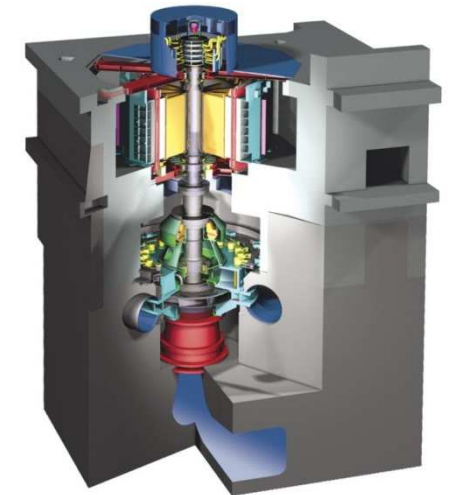


## Rotor Assembly – Precision with > 2000t

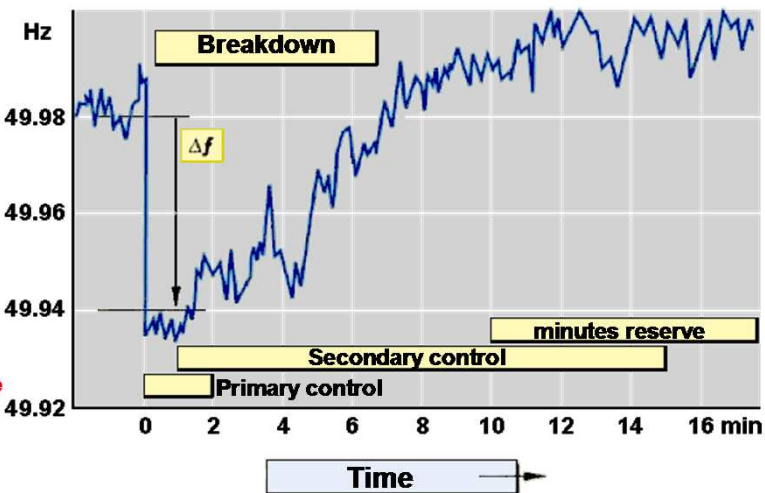


## Pumped Storage

- Wind, Solar and Hydro Integration
  - Reserves
  - Frequency regulation



Energy



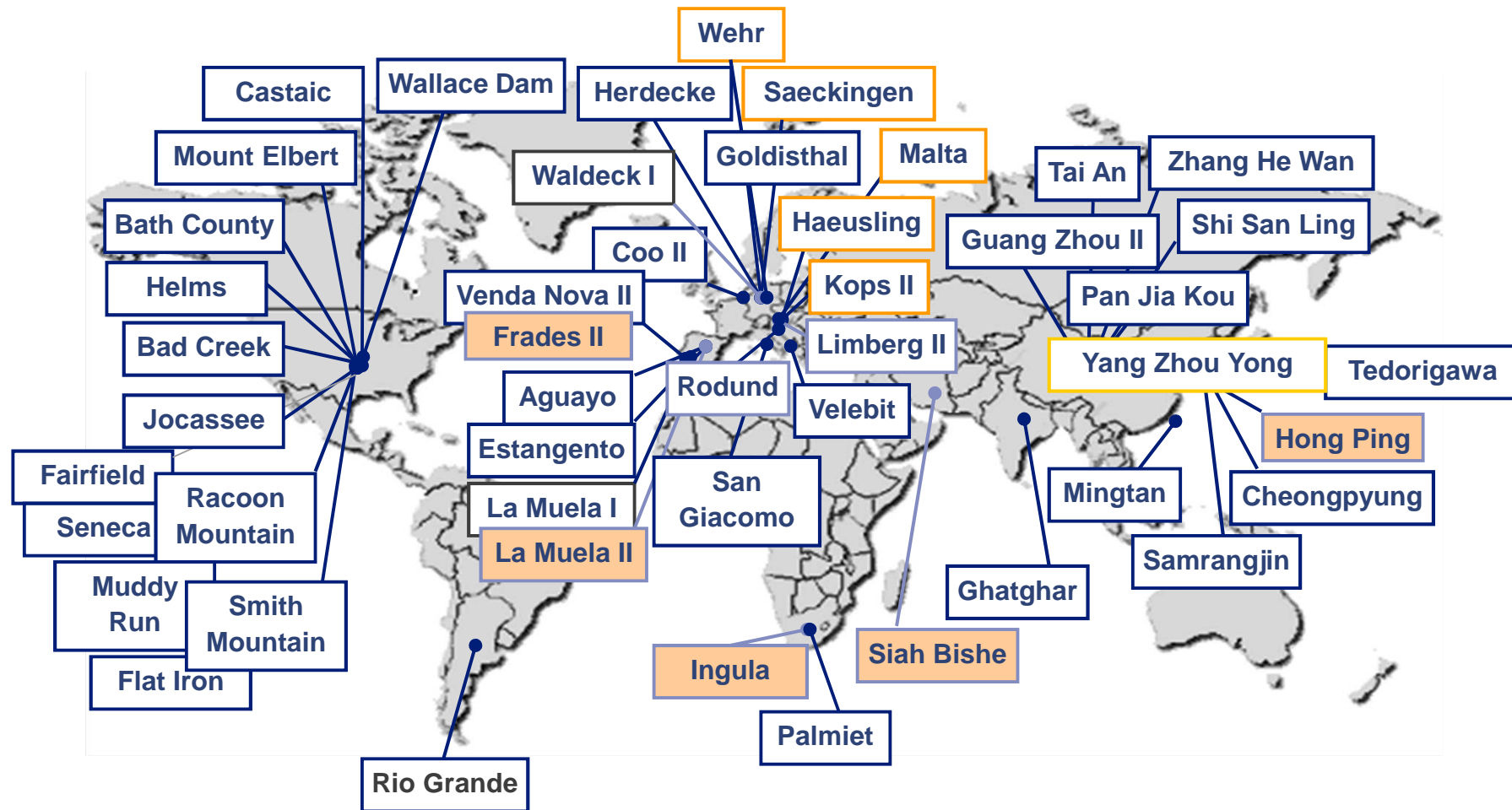
Frequency



Storage



## Major pumped storage projects of Voith Hydro





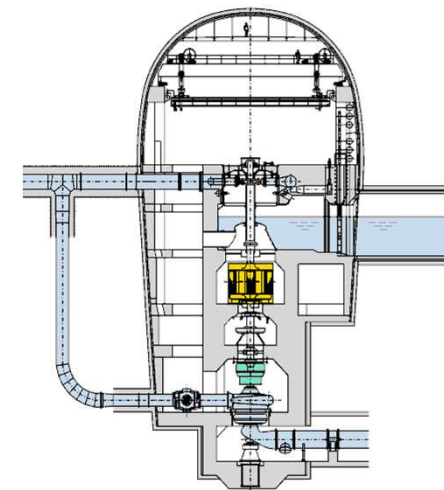
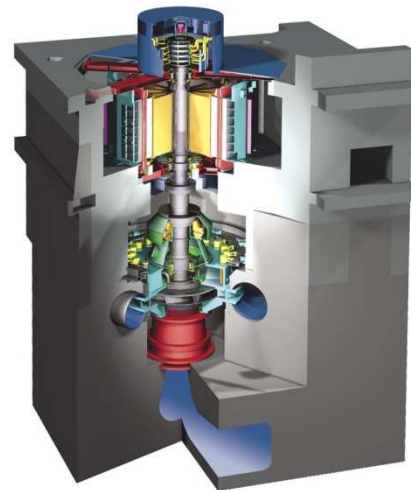
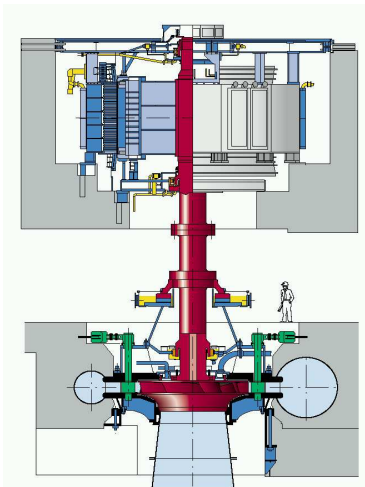
# Possible Unit Configurations Depending on Regulation Responsiveness and Grid Needs

- Conventional reversible unit
- Fast & frequent response reversible unit
- Conventional units in short circuit arrangement
- Variable Speed reversible unit
- Ternary unit arrangement

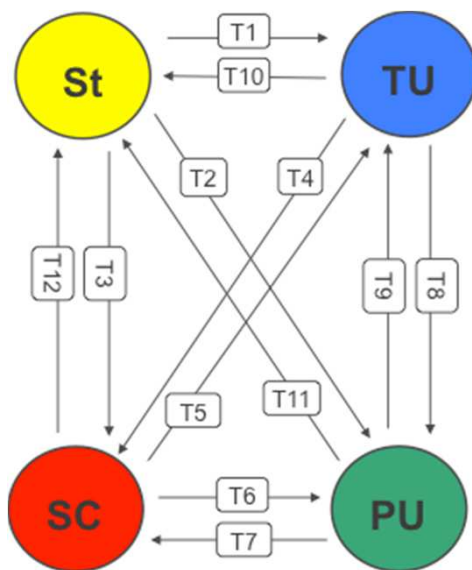
**Slower  
Less Flexible**



**Faster  
More Flexible**



## Mode change times for various Unit concepts - “Flexibility”



T	Pump Turbine Mode change	time [seconds]				
		A	B	C	D	E
1	Standstill → TU-Mode	90	75	90	90	65
2	Standstill → PU-Mode	340	160	230	85	80
5	SC-Mode → TU-Mode	70	20	60	40	20
6	SC-Mode → PU-Mode	70	50	70	30	25
8	TU-Mode → PU-Mode	420		470	45	25
9	PU-Mode → TU-Mode	190	90	280	60	25

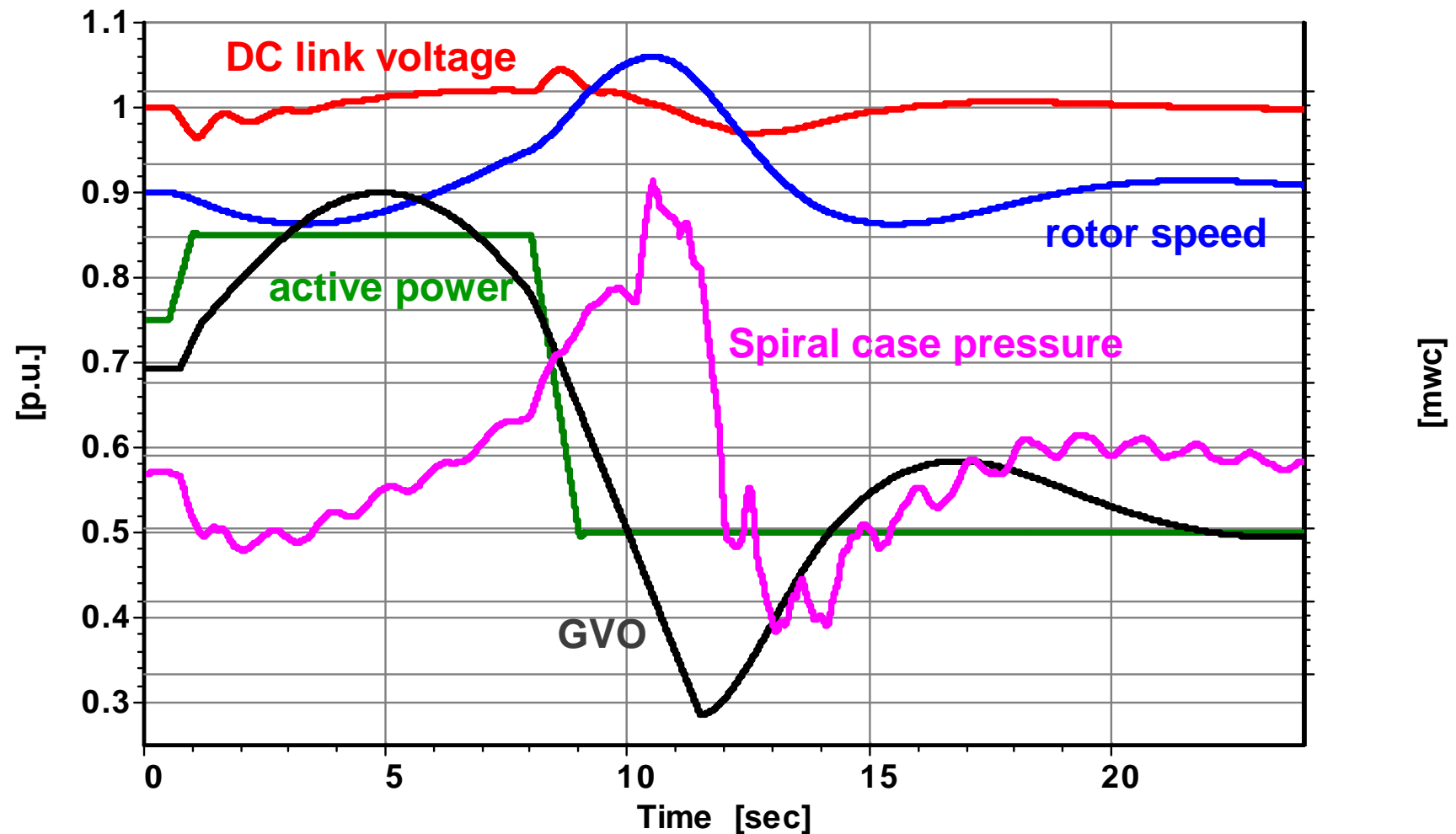
### Reversible PT

A – advanced conventional  
B – extra fast response conventional  
C – VarSpeed,

### Ternary set

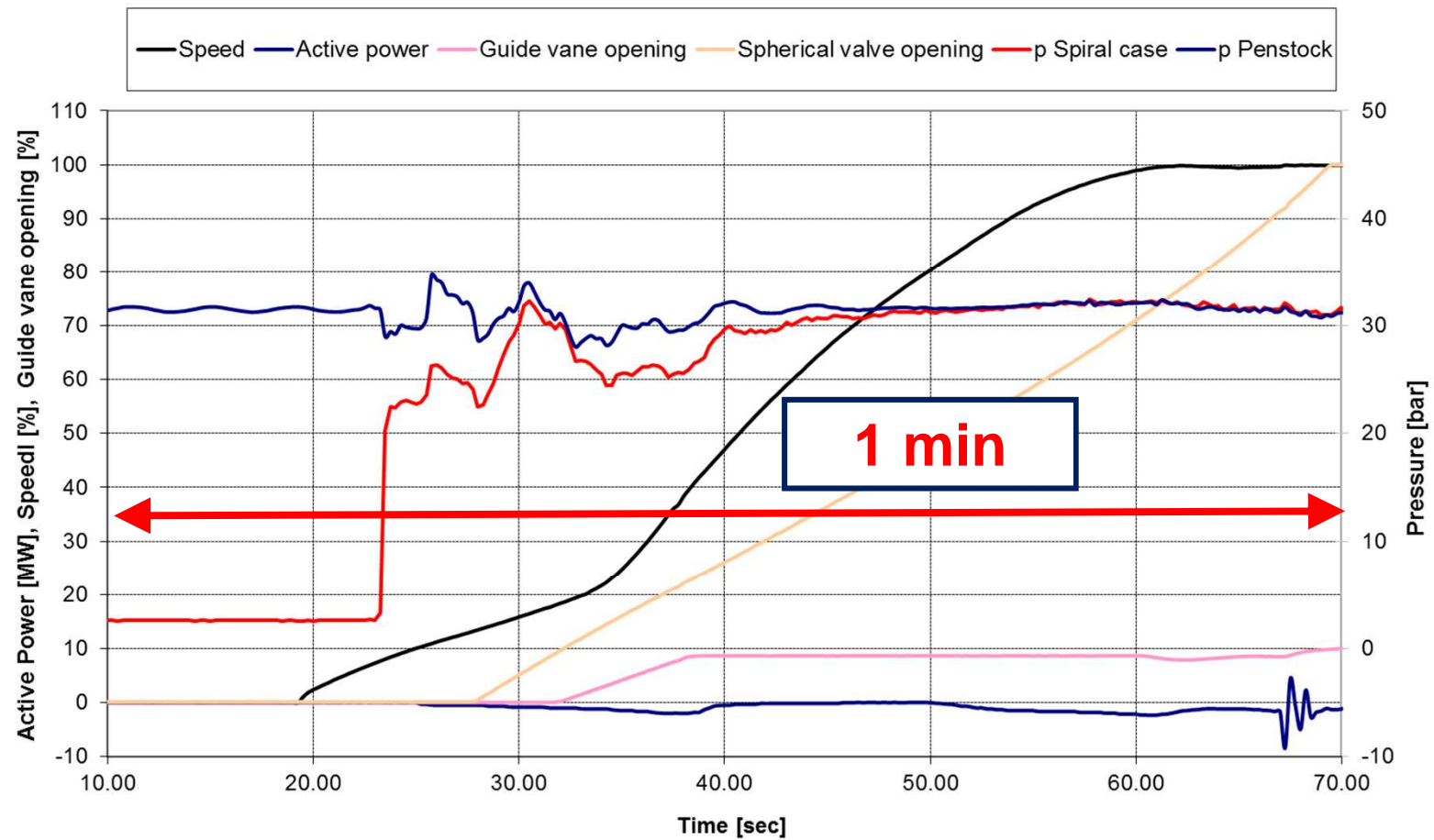
D – with hydraulic torque converter + hydr. short circuit, horiz, with Francis Turbine  
E – same as D but vertical with Pelton Turbine

# Fast control of var. speed units Effect on water hammer





## Start up – Pump Turbine



# Ancillary Services of Conventional and Pumped Storage Power Plants

- Frequency regulation
- Voltage / Power Factor control
- Load Following
- Reduced system minimum loading (i.e. many base load units run below minimum load; resulting inefficiency and voltage & frequency problems)
- Black Start capability
- Regulation Up (in the generating direction)
- Fast Regulation Up & Down with variable speed pumped storage power plants (in the generating and pumping directions)

# The Voith Hydro Policy for Plant Operational Safety





## Objective and goals

The Voith Hydro Safety Policy is deduced from the idea of Engineered reliability.

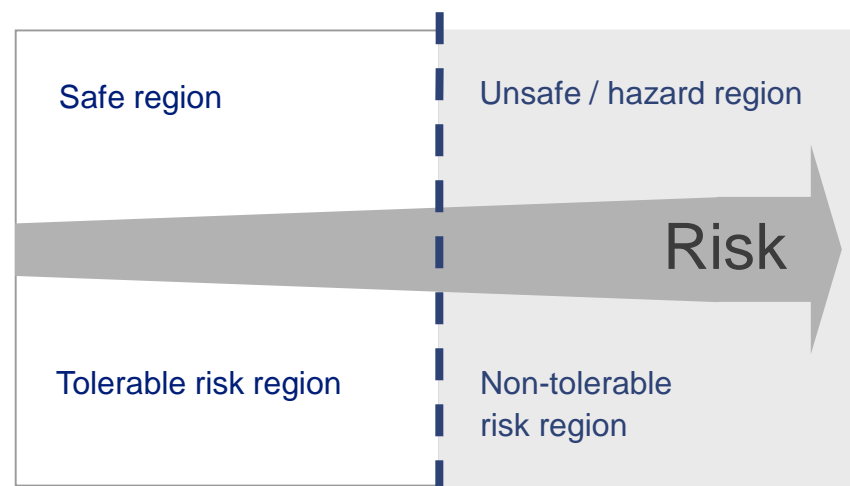
The goal of this policy in Voith Hydro is to sustain highest protection of:

- Human lives
- Environment
- The capital investment of our customers



## Basic philosophy

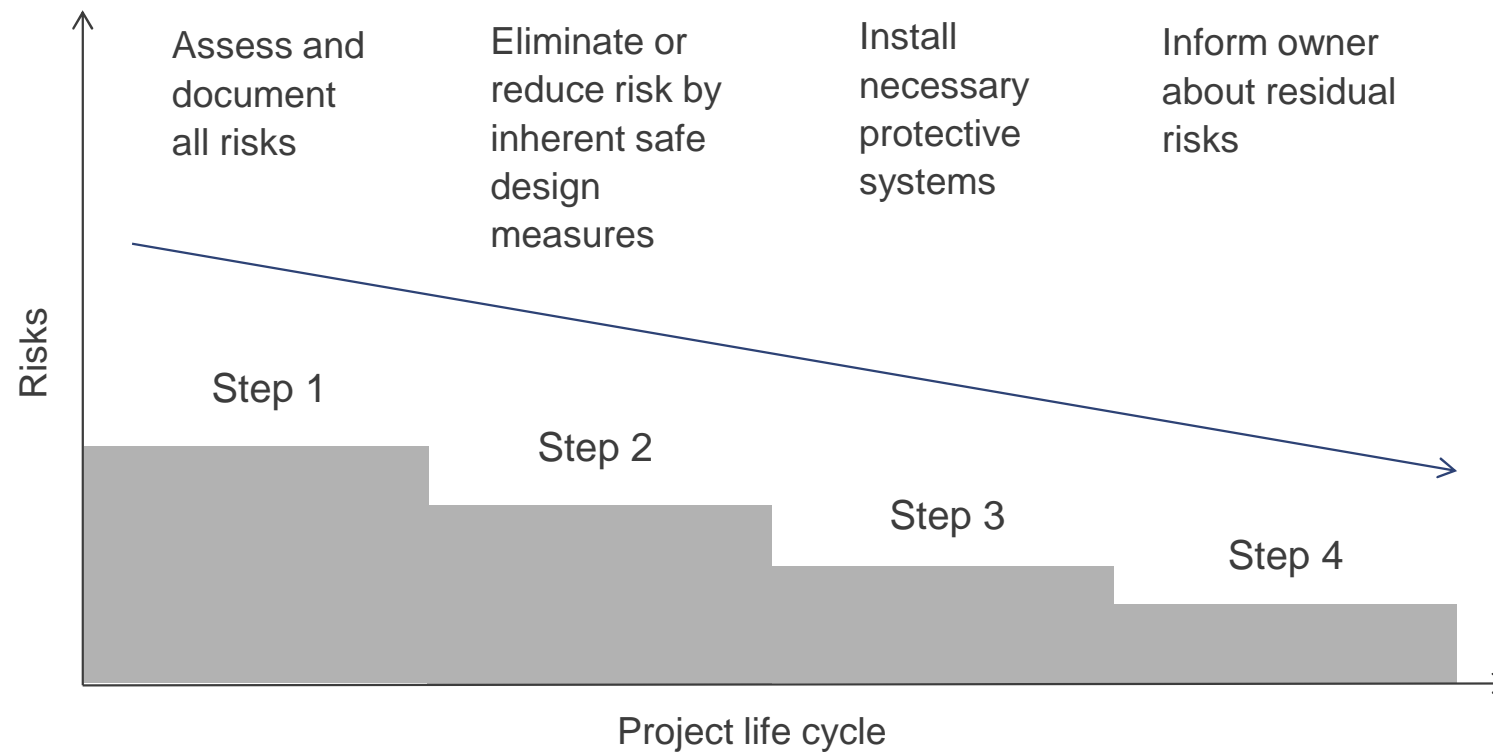
Start of the non-tolerable risk region



One major failure tolerant in areas with high energy flow or where the loss of protection is not acceptable.

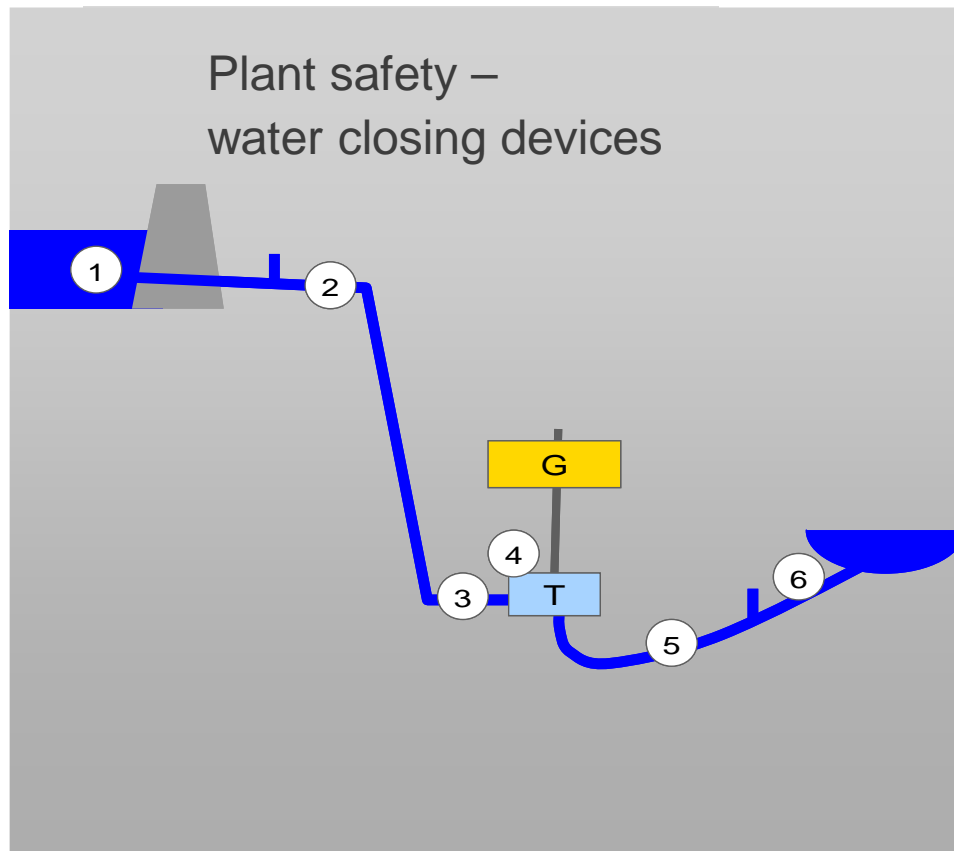
Voith Hydro requires for emergency situations and/or in case of failure of one safety element a second countermeasure.

# Risk reduction process





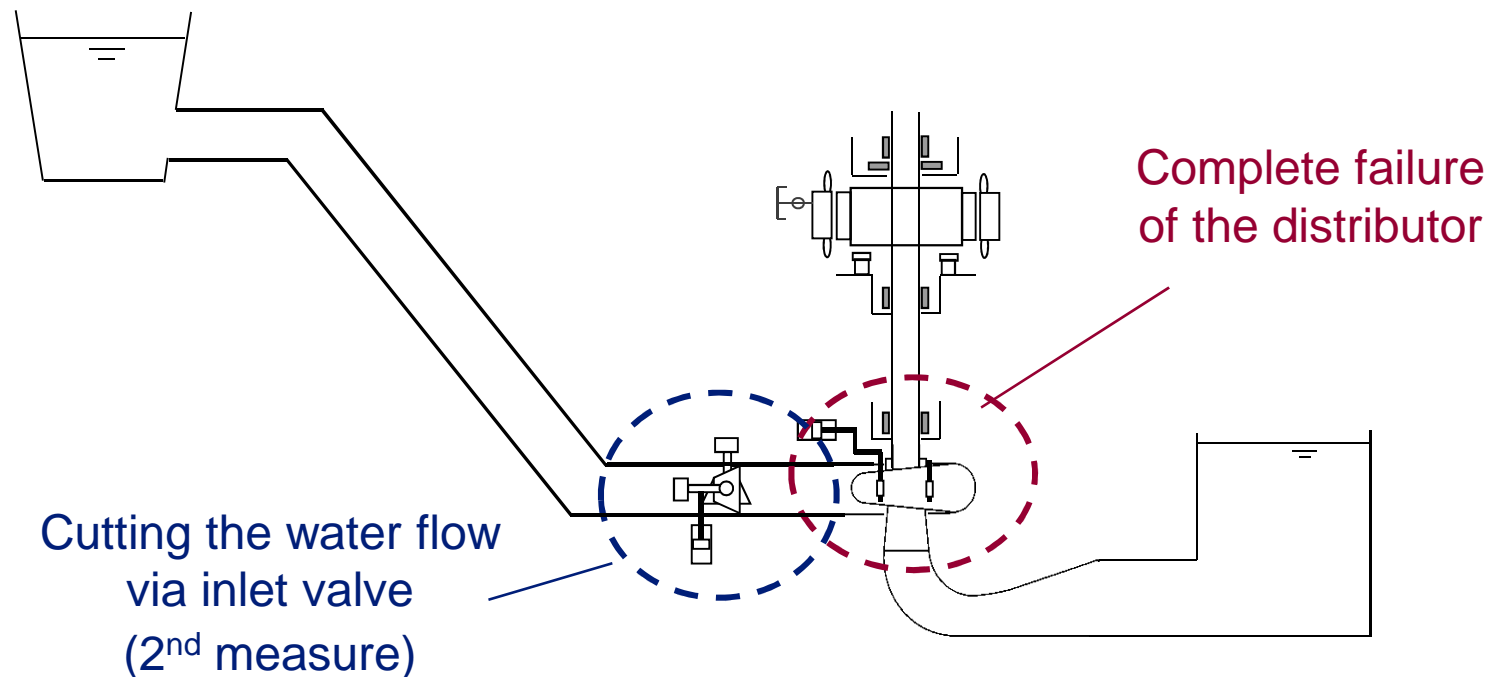
## Hydro power plant – water ways



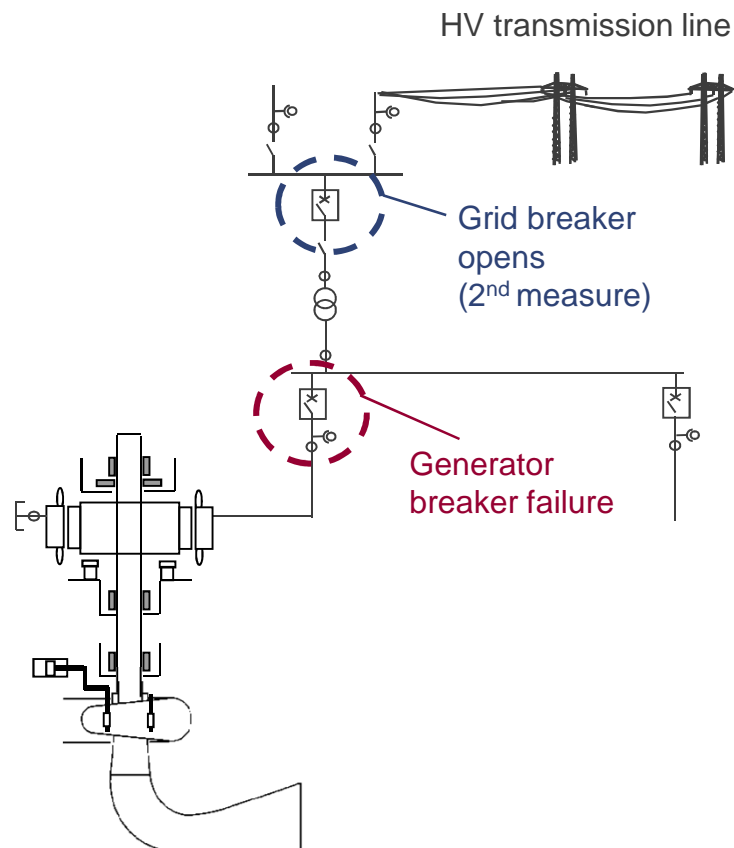
1. Gate or roller stop log
2. Gate or butterfly valve
3. Butterfly valve or spherical valve
4. Distributor or nozzles
5. Gate or stop log or butterfly valve
6. Gate or stop log

## Hydro power plant

Example of 1 major failure tolerance in the water ways.  
 → Minimum requirement of two closing devices.



## Hydro power plant

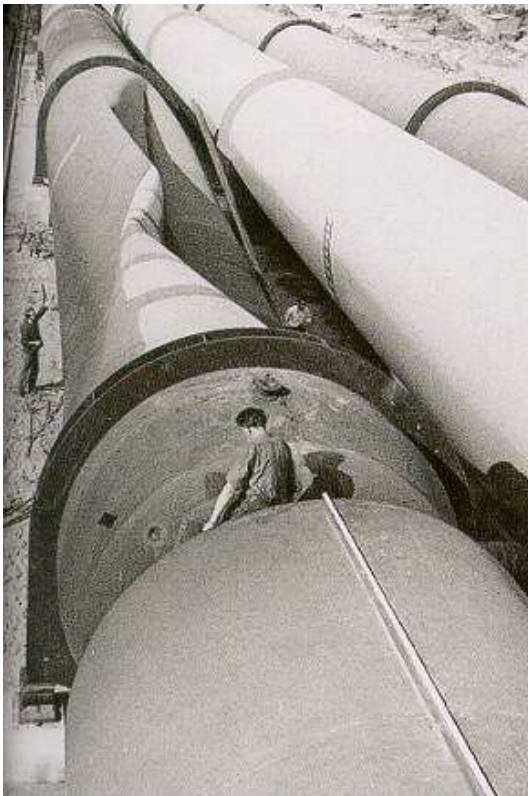


Example of 1 major failure tolerance in the power train.

→ Minimum requirement of two circuit breaker levels, for interrupting each current -even in short circuit condition.



## Example of penstock buckling



Safety Policy requires redundant aeration valves or natural aeration for the penstock.

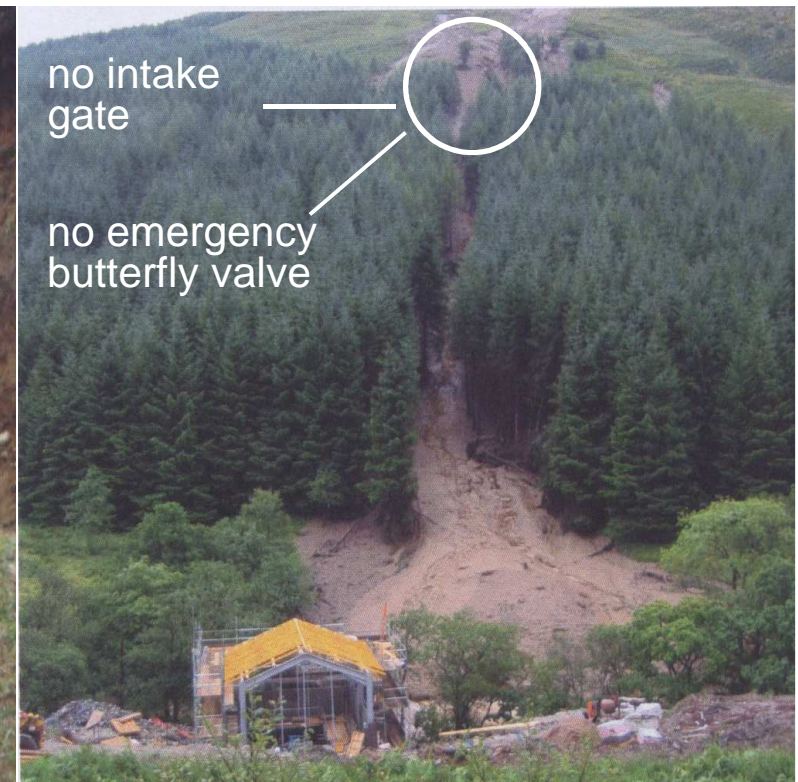
After a penstock pressure test the valve for the penstock dewatering has been opened. Either the aeration valve was not able to open or it was too small designed.

The same accident happens, if an emergency valve in the upstream section closes and the aeration valve does not open.

Source: From a publication of Vattenfall Europe (former HEW): „Strom vom Strom – 40 Jahre Pumpspeicherwerk Geesthacht“.

## Basic philosophy

VH requires in special cases also a mitigation system in order to limit the damage extent. Penstock rupture and landslide in Scotland.





## Voith Hydro Safety Policy

Our Safety Policy is a crucial element in the supply of our products to owners and operators. Highest reliability and safety of our equipment safeguard capital investment of owners on a long-term basis and sustain the balance of state-of-the-art technological standards with highest demands in this area. Technological, economical, environmental and social responsibility are incorporated in our values of engineered reliability.



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